

William Dandridge to George Washington, December 21, 1771, Letters to Washington and Accompanying Papers. Published by the Society of the Colonial Dames of America. Edited by Stanislaus Murray Hamilton.

FROM MR. WILLIAM DANDRIDGE.¹

KO. WM. COTY. Decbr. 21st. 1771.

SIR/

Mr. James Hill has Liv'd within a few Miles of me for some Years, He bears a General good Character, and is much esteemd by his Neighbours;

From the Dealings we have had, believe him Strictly Honest. I have heard Colo. Braxton and others mention him as a good Manager of Plantation Business, but am unacquainted with that part of his Conduct, as I never was on his Land. have understood he is possessd of a pritty Estate and improves it fast which is a Surcumstance much in his favour; please to make my Complymts. Acceptable to yr. Lady & Family I am Sir

yr. much Oblig'd Hble Servant W DANDRIDGE

¹ Son of Colonel William Dandridge, of "Elsing Green," King William County; married Agnes, daughter of Colonel Francis West. William Dandridge was a first cousin of Martha Washington.